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Title

: HOT-ROLLED STEEL STRIP FOR HIGH

: STRENGTH ELECTRIC RESISTANCE

: WELDING PIPE AND MANUFACTURING

: METHOD THEREOF

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated January 10, 2006, Applicants amend the Application as follows: